

neck, buff; breast and side covered with large patches of black, buff, and light blue or french-grey; all the back and other parts french-grey; the quills are light buff.

This magnificent bird we found afterwards in pairs, betraying the same habits as the two species of Francolin in India, the male often standing and crowing on some small eminence. These birds are fully as large as the gallina, which is not quite so large as the domesticated species, but as large as a good-sized fowl.

I propose for this bird the name of *Francolinus yemensis*.—*Proc. Zool. Soc.*

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS FOR MARCH 1853.

Chiswick.—March 1. Snowing: sleet: clear and frosty. 2. Uniformly overcast: fine: overcast: slight frost. 3. Clear: fine: cloudy: clear and frosty. 4. fine: slight rain. 5. Rain. 6. Cloudy: slight rain. 7. Rain: foggy. 8. Uniformly overcast: rain: foggy at night. 9. Foggy: fine. 10. Overcast: fine: clear. 11. Foggy: fine: slight fog. 12. Dense fog: fine: foggy. 13. Slight fog: very fine: rain at night. 14. Rain: heavy rain: clear and frosty. 15. Hoar-frost: large masses of snow-like clouds: very fine: overcast. 16. Uniform haze: cloudy. 17. Densely overcast: clear and frosty at night. 18. Overcast: frosty. 19. Clear: dry air: frosty. 20. Fine: cloudy: frosty. 21. Slight snow: overcast: clear and frosty. 22. Cloudy and cold: clear and frosty. 23. Snow-showers occasionally. 24. Clear. 25. Clear: cloudy: clear and frosty. 26. Quite clear: fine: hazy. 27. Overcast. 28. Cloudy. 29. Foggy: dry cold haze. 30. Dry haze: very fine. 31. Very fine: rain.

Mean temperature of the month	37°·41
Mean temperature of March 1852	39·62
Mean temperature of March for the last twenty-seven years	42·52
Average amount of rain in March	1·40 inch.

Boston.—March 1. Cloudy: snow A.M. 2—5. Cloudy. 6. Cloudy: rain P.M. 7, 8. Cloudy. 9. Fine. 10. Cloudy. 11. Fine. 12. Cloudy. 13. Fine. 14. Cloudy: rain A.M., and rain and snow P.M. 15. Fine. 16. Cloudy: rain A.M. and snow P.M. 17. Cloudy: snow P.M. 18. Fine. 19. Fine: snow A.M. 20. Fine. 21. Cloudy. 22. Cloudy: snow A.M. and P.M. 23. Cloudy. 24. Fine. 25. Cloudy: snow A.M. and P.M. 26. Fine. 27. Cloudy: rain A.M. and P.M. 28—31. Fine.

Sandwich Manse, Orkney.—March 1. Cloudy A.M.: showers, thaw P.M. 2. Showers A.M.: showers, thaw P.M. 3. Fine, frost A.M.: clear, aurora P.M. 4. Fine, thaw A.M.: damp P.M. 5. Fine, clear A.M.: cloudy P.M. 6. Rain A.M.: clear, aurora P.M. 7. Bright A.M.: clear, S. aurora P.M. 8. Cloudy A.M.: clear, aurora P.M. 9. Cloudy A.M.: cloudy, aurora P.M. 10. Cloudy A.M.: clear, aurora P.M. 11. Bright A.M.: clear, aurora P.M. 12. Hazy A.M.: clear, aurora P.M. 13. Bright A.M.: hazy P.M. 14. Hazy A.M. and P.M. 15. Snow-showers A.M.: sleet-showers P.M. 16. Snow-showers A.M.: cloudy P.M. 17. Clear, frost A.M.: clear, aurora P.M. 18. Clear, frost A.M.: snow-showers P.M. 19. Snow-showers A.M.: clear, frost P.M. 20, 21. Snow-showers A.M. and P.M. 22, 23. Clear, frost A.M. and P.M. 24. Clear, snow A.M.: clear P.M. 25. Snow-showers A.M.: clear, frost P.M. 26. Drops A.M.: rain P.M. 27. Bright A.M.: fine P.M. 28. Bright A.M.: fine, aurora P.M. 29. Clear A.M.: fine P.M. 30. Bright A.M.: clear P.M. 31. Bright A.M.: cloudy P.M.

Mean temperature of March for twenty-six previous years ...	40°·46
Mean temperature of this month	38·24
Average quantity of rain in March for seven previous years .	2·30 inches.
·83 of that marked as rain is melted snow.	